REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed December 12, 2007. The Office Action first reports that the applicant needs to provide a short description in the Specification of the figures submitted in the last response. With this Amendment, the Specification has been amended to include descriptions for Figures 2b and 2c.

The Office Action next reports that the following phraseologies of claims 1, 22 and 33 were not understood: "this sliding position", and "the at least one guide track guides the movable glass panel to return to press against the watertight joint".

With this Amendment, applicant has also amended claims 1, 22 and 33 to clarify the language used therein. In particular, the expression "this sliding position" have been replaced by the expression "said sliding position" as far as there is only one sliding position in the claim, such as illustrated in exemplary embodiment in Figures 2b and 2c. In addition, each of the claims has been amended to recite that the at least one guide track is configured to move the movable glass panel in the sliding position when it slides from the sealing position to the open position and to guide the movable glass panel back to the sealing position when it slides from the open position. Support for these features is in the Specification at least at paragraphs 108 and 110 of the published U.S. application (US-A1-20040150248). With this Amendment, these paragraphs have been amended to provide references to the Figures.

Finally, the Office Action requests cancellation of the claim 34 because it corresponds to a non-elected invention. With this Amendment, claim 34 has been cancelled.

The Office Action reports that claims 1-33 and 35-36 would be allowable upon overcoming the rejections under 35 U.S.C 112,

second paragraph. Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for this indication. It is respectfully submitted that any indefiniteness has been corrected. Accordingly, allowance of the application is solicited.

The foregoing remarks are intended to assist the Office in examining the application and in the course of explanation may employ shortened or more specific or variant descriptions of some of the claim language. Such descriptions are not intended to limit the scope of the claims; the actual claim language should be considered in each case.

An extension of time is hereby requested for responding to the Office Action. An online charge authorization for the extension of time fee is included herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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